

GATHERING AND KEEPING FRUIT.

It is becoming a well understood principle that pears are improved by being gathered before fully ripe. Some should approach nearer maturity than others. But early apples should be fully ripe, as a general rule, before gathering. Late fall and early winter apples should not be gathered when picked, and all the late winter varieties should be gathered when too hard to yield to the pressure of the thumb, and always before heavy fall frosts. A dry time should be selected, if possible. There will be a few specimens not yet mature, but you can afford to throw them out to save the best and main crop. When a good keeping variety begins to drop freely from the tree, as is sometimes the case, secure the balance of the crop that remains on the tree as soon as possible, but they should not be mixed with those on the ground—not one should be saved with those picked. Windfalls will not keep, for in addition to the injury sustained from the fall, they become heated by lying upon the ground exposed to the sun and hot air, and the ripening process already commenced is hastening it to a rapid decay.

No matter how hot the weather is, an apple is always cool while upon the tree, and in that condition should be taken care of, if we would have it keep in its most perfect condition for the full development of all the delicious juices with which it is so abundantly supplied. How to obtain it in that condition will be my purpose now to show. We have seen that it must be carefully gathered before it is too ripe, as it is commonly termed; but I say before it is ripe, for when it is ripe it is fit to eat, and that should not be the case with winter apples when gathered.

We have also seen that heat hastens the ripening process, and that cold retards it. Apples should therefore be kept cool, barely so as not to freeze. A minimum temperature of thirty-four degrees is probably about right, with as little fluctuation as possible. It is not for the purpose of assuming to know more than the most of you about the best method of keeping apples, that I give the subject so large a space in this address, but it is to give it more prominence in our deliberations than it has heretofore had. I regard it as one of the points very much overlooked in all meetings of this kind.

Whether we regard the ripening process as a vital or a chemical action, it is quite sure that it should go on gradually and unchecked until all the good qualities are fully developed, and when the highest point of excellence is attained, then the fruit should be used. It is never so good as when just fully ripe—but is frequently eatable for a long time. Some varieties become dry and mealy, others tough and leathery. Others, by being kept very cool, will frequently remain in a very good condition for a very long time, or by the use of artificial means may be kept for an almost indefinite period.

I hold that the ripening process once commenced, goes on, no matter how cold, if frost is not present, slowly, perhaps, but uninterrupted, until full maturity. Hence the importance of a cool cellar, which should always be dry and dark. It should be frequently aired, when the outside temperature will allow of it. Some varieties are much more sensitive to their treatment than others. The Winesap, for instance, which has a thick skin, may be abused in a great deal in handling and but indifferently cared for in the cellar, and yet it will keep pretty well; that is it will rot but little; but, if kept close and warm, it is subject to a fungus that renders it scarcely tolerable to eat. But if it is kept cool and dry, all its best qualities are retained. It is also one of the varieties that do best to keep on open shelves. The Belmont, on the other hand, which I regard as one of the best and most profitable apples, is very impatient of bad treatment. Its skin is smooth and thin, and flesh of a delicate texture. If roughly handled and kept in a warm room it soon decays. If carefully handled and kept in a cool place, it keeps with very little waste, till April or May. Indeed, it is, with me, one of the very best of keepers.—*Trans. Indiana Hort. Society.*

THIS FURY OF A WOMAN SCORNED.
A terrible illustration of what a scorned woman's fury will lead her to do occurred recently in Milwaukee. A lady of that city returning unexpectedly from a call, imagined she heard unusual voices in the room usually occupied by herself and husband. The door being closed, and to this aperture she applied her eye. She saw the figure of a woman; standing by her was the husband of the

jealous wife, actually engaged in adjusting a shawl upon the shoulders of the female intruder. The wife went to another room, took a loaded shot gun, returned, opened the door, and deliberately shot the strange woman in the back. The husband screamed, the wife fainted. When the latter returned to consciousness, she found the wretch of a husband bending over her, with a well-feigned solicitude in his glance. Mutual explanations ensued, and the body of the woman who had been shot was brought in. It was a dummy! The husband, who pursued the respectable calling of a retail dry goods dealer, was wont to use this figure to exhibit mantillas and shawls with which he desired to charm the eyes of the Milwaukee ladies. The dummy, from long exposure and hard usage, had become shabby, and the merchant had that morning brought it from the shop for the purpose of renovating its exterior. Not finding his wife, he was trying in his awkward way to do the work, and probably swearing at his clumsy attempts, when his wife, mistaking the accents of passion, let fly the fatal shot. This tragedy in real life will teach her a lesson, perhaps.

THE REASON.—The Democrats of the Copperhead persuasion seem to have a regard for the fitness of things. They have illustrated this in a striking manner, by changing the time for holding their National Convention from the 4th of July, the birthday of American Independence, to the 29th of August, the birthday of Benedict Arnold!—*Meltonian.*

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